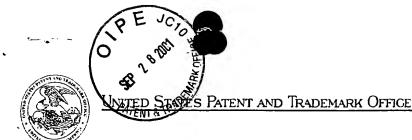
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below. however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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PATENT Attorney Docket No. 367A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Thomas R. Boyer, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/844,566) Group Art Unit: 3723
Filed: April 27, 2001) Examiner: Unassigned
For: POLISHING FIXTURE ASSEMBLY FOR A FIBER OPTIC CABLE CONNECTOR POLISHING APPARATUS)))
Attn: Box Missing Parts Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231	

Sir/Madam:

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Applicant encloses the following documents in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application dated June 28, 2001:

- 1. Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application (in duplicate, with authorization to charge \$130.00 to our Deposit Account);
- 2. Form PTO-1533;
- 3. Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney;
- 4. Assignment to CIENA Corporation; and
- 5. Recordation cover sheet (in duplicate, with authorization to charge our Deposit Account).

Certification Under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.10

I hereby certify that this Transmittal Letter and the documents referred to as enclosed therein is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this 28th day of September, 2001 in an envelope marked as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Mail Label Number EL869632715US addressed to Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231.

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6. Petition for Extension of Time. (including authorization to charge \$110.00 to our Deposit Account.

Please charge the late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CRF

1.16(e) of \$130 and identified on the attached Form PTO-1533 as well as the one-month extension

fee of \$110 to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge such fees to our deposit account. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R.

1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

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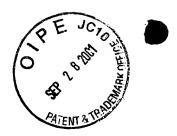
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the communication of June 28, 2001, the period for response to which has been extended through September 28, 2001 by a Petition for Extension of Time and fee payment filed contemporaneously herewith, Applicants submit a Declaration/Power of Attorney for filing in the above-identified application and a copy of the Notice of Missing Parts. Authorization is hereby granted to charge the late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CRF 1.16(e) of \$130 to our Deposit Account No. 50-0308. A copy of this Response is submitted herewith.

Please associate the enclosed declaration with the above-identified application.

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